

PUBLIC NOTICE  
SC Department of Health and Environmental Control  
Bureau of Water  
2600 Bull Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION OF A  
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) proposes to modify the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit #SC0039853, issued to EASLEY/MIDDLE BRANCH WWTP, (ANDERSON COUNTY/ANDERSON EQC OFFICE) PO BOX 619, EASLEY, SC 29641-0619. The facility is located at the intersection of Middle Branch and Country Road S-4-94 in Anderson County. The facility has 1 discharge point: 001-treated sanitary wastewater, discharging to: Middle Branch to Big Brushy Creek to Little River to Saluda River; The Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code for the facility is 4952. The receiving streams are classified Class FW: freshwaters suitable for primary and secondary contact recreation and as a source for drinking water supply after conventional treatment in accordance with the requirements of the Department. Suitable for fishing and the survival and propagation of a balanced indigenous aquatic community of fauna and flora. Suitable also for industrial and agricultural uses. Sludge solids will be transported to the Palmetto Landfill #422401-1101 under conditions outlined in the NPDES permit.

The proposed modifications are as follows:

1. Based on 35 samples collected since July 2011 through May 2014, there is no reasonable potential for Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate at 3.50 MGD and 4.20 MDG; therefore the limits for this parameter have been removed.
2. The permit is also being modified to replace Fecal Coliform limits with E. Coli. As a result the following changes have been made: Updated "Daily Maximum" and "Monthly Average" definitions. Fecal Coliform limits have been deleted and E. Coli limits have been added. "Bacteria Supplemental Data Sheet" has been added to the end of Part V.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the permit modifications are invited to submit same in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of this notice to the attention of: Mr. Mohammed Siddiqui; SC DHEC; Water Facilities Permitting Division; 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; Telephone: 803-898-4242. The permit number should be placed at the top of the first page of comments. When there is a significant degree of public interest in a permit or group of permits, the Department may hold a public hearing. SC DHEC is not involved in zoning, land use, or property value issues. Please contact your local County or Municipal officials for questions or concerns on these issues.

All comments received within the 30-day period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the permit. All persons submitting written comments will be notified of the final determinations. Requests for adjudicatory hearings may be filed after the above described determinations have been made. Additional information regarding adjudicatory hearings is available from the Legal Office at the above Department address or by calling 803-898-3350.

Additional information on proposed permit determinations and on hearing procedures is available by writing or calling the Department at the above address or telephone number. Copies of a specific application or draft permit of interest to an individual, organization, or company must be requested in writing. A fee schedule has been established for processing these requests: Reproduction of documents - \$0.25 per page. Requests must be mailed to the Freedom of Information Office at 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201, phone number: 803-898-3882; or requests may be faxed to the Freedom of Information Office at 803-898-3816. Arrangements can be made to review all the permit information at the Freedom of Information Office on the third floor of the Sims Building across from Peebles Auditorium.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons you know will be interested in this matter.

